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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Shacklett et al.

United States
Application No: 09/349,737

Filing Date: July 8, 1999

**For: FABRIC PADS WITH A PRINTED DESIGN
AND A METHOD OF MAKING FABRIC
PADS WITH A PRINTED DESIGN**

Group Art Unit: 1771

Examiner: Christopher C. Pratt

Attorney
Docket No.: 99-40132-US

PETITION TO THE COMMISSIONER PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.181

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby Petitions, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.181, to rescind the Notice of Appeal in the above-referenced matter filed by Applicant on March 12, 2003, and stay the fee submitted by Applicant in support thereof in the event a subsequent Notice of Appeal is filed.

The Notice of Appeal filed on March 12, 2003 was inadvertently filed in Response to a non-final Office Action dated September 12, 2002. Applicant hereby Petitions that the non-final status of the Official Action dated September 12, 2002 be preserved, and that Applicant's Response submitted on March 12, 2003 be considered.

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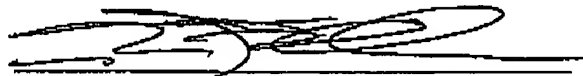
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Applicant respectfully requests and authorizes that any fee associated with this Petition be charged to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

Respectfully submitted,



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